

## Ahwatukee planning panel to discuss preserve, freeway

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The Ahwatukee Foothills Village Planning Committee will reconvene on Monday.

Here are some topics the committee plans to hear at the public meeting at 6 p.m. at Pecos Park Community Center, 17010 S. 48th St.:

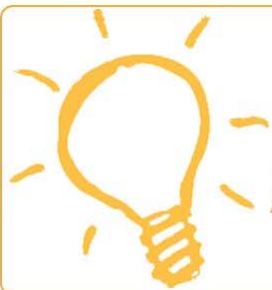
- The Parks and Recreation Department is set to provide an update on the city's potential purchase of land north of Chandler Boulevard. If the city buys the land, it may become part of the South Mountain Preserve. Attendees will also learn about the potential for new recreation programs and updates to Desert Foothills Park, village planner Chris Hood said.
- A new senior-care facility may be built at the corner of 44th Street and Knox Road in a long-vacant piece of land.
- A guest from ASU's Stardust Center for Affordable Homes and the Family will talk about sustainability options.

Following her presentation, the committee

plans to discuss ways to make Ahwatukee Foothills developments more sustainable, Hood said.

- Attendees can get an update on developments related to the proposed South Mountain Freeway.
- Committee Vice-Chair Mel Hannah will introduce Ahwatukee Foothills resident Kevin Robinson as the South Patrol Division Chief for the Phoenix Police Department.

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